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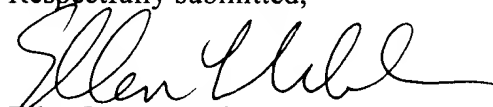
Sir:

The references cited on attached form PTO-1449 are being called to the attention of the Examiner. In accordance with 37 CFR §1.98(d), copies of references A1 through C47 can be found in Application No. 08/589,107, filed 1/23/96 (Attorney Docket No. 018623-005070). A copy of the relevant portion of the International Search report for international application PCT/US93/07421, which had also been included in the parent application, is also enclosed. A copy of each of the references from C48 through C59 that were not cited in the parent application is enclosed along with a copy of the International Search report corresponding to the PCT /US98/05039 application. It is respectfully requested that the cited information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and the references be made of record therein and appear among the "references cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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